

**METHOD AND COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR SCHEDULE TRADING**

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The present invention provides a method and apparatus for trading employee schedules online. One or more rules for  
5 determining which schedules may be traded are defined. One or more employee schedules are posted for trade. For each posted schedule, the requirements of the schedule that the employee would like in exchange are also posted. Two schedules are matched for trading based on (a) their respective requirements  
10 for the schedule required in return, and (b) the rules that were previously defined. If two schedules match, then the trade is approved, and the schedules traded.